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DARTMOUTH OUTING CLUB TEAMS POST DOUBLE VICTORIES  
IN 32nd ANNUAL INTERCOLLEGIATE WOODSMEN'S TOURNEY

HANOVER, N.H.---Student "woodsmen" of the Dartmouth Outing Club (DOC) topped a field of 20 teams from nine colleges and universities to win the 32nd annual inter-collegiate woodsmen's competition, held last weekend at Colby College in Waterville, Maine.

The victory was the first in 25 years for the Dartmouth competitors in the unusual tournament initiated by Dartmouth in 1947 as a challenging way to honor and preserve traditional skills of the New England lumbermen whose numbers are shrinking and ways changing as a result of mechanization.

As if to underscore the timing of the Dartmouth undergraduate team's win, the Dartmouth alumni contingent topped the entire field of 26 teams, with strong assists from Putnam Blodgett, Dartmouth '53, of Norwich, Vt., who captained the last Dartmouth undergraduate team to win the intercollegiate woodsmen's competition, and James Taylor of Hanover, captain of both the 1974 DOC team and this year's alumni team. Both men also coached the undergraduate team this year and were credited by the students for "making the difference."

Members of the undergraduate team, which edged Paul Smith's College's A team by one point, 1,505 to 1,504, to take the two-day meet, reversing last year's standings here at Hanover, were led by Bruce Nickelsen, a junior from Lewisburg, Pa., and team captain. Others, all seniors and officers of the DOC, were Charles Conte of Manhasset, N.Y., president of the DOC; Peter Bundschuh of Penfield, N.Y., director of programs; Steve Thompson of Oshkosh, Wisc., director of trips; Bill Paganelli of Williamsville, N.Y., chairman of the Cabin and Trail Division; and Steve Pacala of Rochester, N.Y., captain of last year's DOC team.

In addition to proving their skill in the nearly 20 events from bucksawing and tree felling to logrolling and packboard relay, they are all top students, with all of them going on to graduate schools next year. Mr. Conte will continue his studies at Dartmouth Medical School, Mr. Paganelli at Harvard Medical School, Mr. Thompson at the University of Virginia Law School, Mr. Pacala at Stanford's biology Ph.D. program, and Mr. Bundschuh at the University of Michigan's graduate school of business administration.

Individual event winners were Pacala in the axe throw, Paganelli and Bundschuh in both the fire-building and portage race, Thompson and Nickelsen in singles canoe relay, Pacala and Conte in doubles canoeing, and all six team members in the packboard relay.

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Other members of the alumni team, which amassed an overall score of 1,602 points to top the overall second-place team of University of Maine alumni, were Chris Mumford, '77, of Griffin, Ind.; George Kendrik, also '77, of Missoula, Mont.; Ernest Page, '74, of Norwich, Vt.; Dave Kruschwitz, also '74, of Bethlehem, Pa.; Jonathan Noon, '68, of Putney, Vt.; and Ronald Shores, '76, of Hanover, a graduate student at the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration.

The DOC undergraduate women's team finished second this year, behind the Paul Smith's College sextet, to hold the same place as in 1977. Team members were seniors Cay Wieboldt of North Garden, Va., and Carol Hillman of Stowe, Vt.; juniors Holley Allen of Wellesley, Mass., and Rachel Krevans of Berkeley, Calif.; and sophomores Amy Haak, captain, of Simsbury, Conn., and Laurel Smith of N. Conway, N.H.

They also won the women's packboard relay, while Wieboldt and Krevans teamed to win the scoot loading event and were joined by Amy Haak to take first place in the women's speed chopping.

The DOC "B" team finished sixth this year among undergraduate teams with Mike McMurtry, a sophomore from Englewood, Co., and Carey Fiertz, a junior from Preverenges, Switzerland, tying the Dartmouth A team for first place in the doubles canoe race. Other members of the DOC "B" team were Paul Kuhn, a senior from Winnetka, Ill.; Jim Stein, a junior from Quebec, Canada; and freshmen John Mott of Pittsford, N.Y., who turned in the best time in one leg of the single canoe relay, and Bishop Mumford of Griffin, Ind., younger brother of Chris Mumford who competed on the alumni team.

The alumni won six events, with Blodgett and Chris Mumford taking the singles canoe relay; Blodgett, Taylor and Page combining for the best time in speed chopping; Page in the chain throw; Blodgett and Page in tree felling and Page and Taylor the portage race; and the entire team in logrolling and the packboard relay.

In amassing the top overall score the Dartmouth alumni unseated University of Maine alumni, overall winners at Hanover last year.